



**Sent via FOIAOnline**

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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request NGC19-196

Dear Mr. Kick:

We received your FOIA request dated February 27, 2019 via *FOIAonline* on the same date. We have assigned your request internal tracking number NGC19-196 in addition to your *FOIAOnline* tracking number NARA-NGC-2019-000292.

In your request, you asked for:

*Your agency's FOIA request log covering 2018, which includes a field showing the subject of each request and a field for the final disposition.*

Your request falls within all of the “unusual circumstances” categories contemplated by the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. 552 §§ (a) (6) (B) (iii) (I), (II) and (III), and we need additional time to respond to your request beyond the twenty business days provided by the FOIA statute. The records you seek have required us to search field facilities separate from the office processing the request. The request entails a large number of records that have to be reviewed for applicable exemptions under the FOIA statute, and there is a need to consult with other components of the agency having a subject-matter interest in the records.

To enable us to respond more quickly to you, you may wish to reformulate your request to reduce the amount of time required to complete our consultation, or to submit an alternative date range for this request. The FOIA process within NARA is decentralized to cover five different components: General Counsel for operational records, Special Access and FOIA for archival records, National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) for personnel records, Presidential Libraries

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for presidential materials, and NDC for classified archival records. Each Presidential Library has their own FOIA log. In 2018, the NPRC had 48, 334 FOIA requests. The processing time will be shorter if you eliminate the NPRC log from your request. Please let us know if you want to exclude the NPRC log from your request. You can send an email to [foia@nara.gov](mailto:foia@nara.gov) and copy me.

We regret the necessity of this delay, but assure you that your request will be processed as soon as possible. If you have any questions you may contact me. You may also contact our FOIA Public Liaison, Gary M. Stern for assistance at 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6002, 301-837-1750, [Garym.Stern@nara.gov](mailto:Garym.Stern@nara.gov).

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